MESSAGE FOR U.S. CITIZENS

U.S. Embassy, Manila, The Philippines

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THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES IS TRANSMITTING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION THROUGH
THE EMBASSY WARDEN SYSTEM AS A PUBLIC SERVICE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS IN THE
PHILIPPINES. PLEASE DISSEMINATE THIS MESSAGE TO ALL U.S. CITIZENS IN YOUR ORGANIZATION OR
NEIGHBORHOOD.

Georgia and North Carolina Primary Runoff Election Information

Georgia Primary Runoff Election on July 22

Georgia will hold its primary runoff election on July 22. If you are registered to vote in Georgia and need to vote absentee, you may request an absentee ballot using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at <u>FVAP.gov</u>.

Complete, sign and send the FPCA to your local election official. Forms need to be received by July 18.

Detailed information is available at the following website: www.fvap.gov/georgia.

If you request your absentee ballot and do not receive it 30 days before the election use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot to vote. The form is also available at www.fvap.gov/georgia under "Get My Ballot".

North Carolina Primary Runoff Election on July 15

North Carolina will hold its primary runoff election on July 15. If you are registered to vote in North Carolina and need to vote absentee, you may request an absentee ballot using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at FVAP.gov.

Complete, sign and send the FPCA to your local election official. Forms need to be received by July 14.

Detailed information is available at the following website: www.fvap.gov/north-carolina.

If you request your absentee ballot and do not receive it 30 days before the election use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot to vote. The form is also available at www.fvap.gov/north-carolina under "Get My Ballot."

The Embassy is located at 1201 Roxas Boulevard, Manila, Philippines and is open 0730-1600, Monday through Friday. The Embassy's main telephone number is (+632) 301-2000. U.S. citizens can dial this number and ask to be connected to the American Citizen Services (ACS) unit or with the Embassy Duty Officer (for calls outside of normal business hours). You can also contact the ACS unit through email at ACSInfoManila@state.gov or through the Embassy Facebook page. Please visit our website for information on all services offered by the ACS unit through the ACSInfoManila@state.gov or

We strongly recommend that U.S. citizens traveling to or residing in the Philippines enroll in the <u>Department of State's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP)</u> at <u>www.Travel.State.Gov</u>. STEP enrollment gives you the latest security updates, and makes it easier for the U.S. embassy or nearest U.S. consulate to contact you in an emergency. If you don't have Internet access, enroll directly with the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate.

Regularly monitor the State <u>Department's website</u>, where you can find current <u>Travel Warnings</u>, including the <u>Travel Warning for the Philippines</u>, Travel Alerts, and the Worldwide Caution. Read the <u>Country Specific Information for the Philippines</u>. For additional information, refer to <u>"A Safe Trip Abroad"</u> on the State Department's website.

Contact the U.S. embassy or consulate for up-to-date information on travel restrictions. You can also call 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or 1-202-501-4444 from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). Follow us on Twitter and Facebook, and download our free Smart Traveler iPhone App to have travel information at your fingertips.